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## The Only Alligator Farm in the world.

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Just as the buffalo suffered extermination on the great plains of the West, so the alligator being slaughtered, in a spirit of sheer wantonness, in the swamps and bayous of the South. Not until it was too late to repair the damage done, did men awaken to a realization of the value of the buffalo, but a slight appreciation of the usefulness of the alligator seems to be dawning while there is yet time to save it for the sportsman and for the various industries to which it contributes.

It is stated on the authority of the United States Fish Commission that in the decade from 1890 to 1900 at least 2,000,000 alligators of large size were killed in Florida alone. Probably a still greater number in the aggregate were slaughtered in Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana. When it is recalled that an alligator two feet long is at least fifteen years old, and that one which has lived to 150 years of age, it will be seen that if the present rate of slaughter is continued, large alligators must soon become as scarce in the swamps and bayous as buffalo are on the plains. That this would mean a serious and almost irreparable loss is a statement that any dealer in leather goods will readily confirm. Suit cases, umbrellas, belts, pocketbooks, and, in fact, all things that can be made of leather, are made of tanned alligator skin. In beauty, durability and costliness alligator skin ranks among the most valuable of leather materials; and every year it becomes more rare and more expensive. The teeth, also, are composed of the finest ivory, selling readily at wholesale at \$2.00 a pound, and being used in the manufacture of buttons and articles of jewelry.

Apparently, the first individual in America to realize that the alligator in the swamps was doomed to extinction was Mr. H. J. Campbell. In this he was guided by the opportunity for the establishment of a new industry, which he began two years ago in the Hot Springs, Arkansas. There are many swamps, marshes, frog farms, snake farms and even skunk farms, located in various parts of America; but in the whole world there is but one alligator farm. However, the successful operation, the unending demand and comparatively prices for its product, and the certainty that every year the demand for alligators and alligator skins will become greater, and the supply from natural sources smaller, make it seem probable that some day the alligator will become a well-kept, extensive and altogether commonplace stock-raising industry.

The alligator farm is situated on a small mountain stream that forms a series of little lakes or ponds not far from the noted health resort of Hot Springs. These lakelets form the "breeding grounds" and "stock yards" of this unique branch of stock raising. At all times there are on the farm from 500 to 600 alligators, ranging in length from six inches up to almost fifteen feet. The little fellows have all been hatched on the farm, but the large saurians were captured in the South, and then conveyed to their present quarters. The alligator is a cannibal by nature and disposition, and for this reason it is necessary to separate the ponds by means of heavy wire netting, and to place gators of very nearly the same size in each enclosure. "Big Joe" is the monarch of the farm, measuring nearly fifteen feet in length, and topping the scales at a trifle over 600 pounds. It is necessary to keep him in a pond by himself, as he is so fond of his fellow reptiles that if he had the liberty of the farm, there would soon be but one alligator on it. Next to alligator meat, Big Joe prefers dogs. He has been known to devour seven large calves in one afternoon, without giving any indication of having had enough, and without suffering from indigestion afterwards. Until Mr. Campbell started the alligator farm two years ago, it was a problem for the Hot Springs dog catcher to know what to do with the homeless and unlicensed curs picked

up in the streets of the town. Big Joe and his fellow alligators have furnished a solution equally satisfactory to themselves and to the dog catcher—if not to the dogs. After keeping the dogs the time prescribed by law, the poundmaster delivers them to the alligator farm.

One good, square meal of dog meat every week is supposed to be as much as any well-regulated alligator requires. The feast invariably occurs on Sunday afternoon, the dogs being killed, cut up and served raw to the hungry reptiles, while crowds of visitors from Hot Springs watch the fun. So far as the alligators are concerned, they would be just as well satisfied if the formality of killing the dogs were dispensed with. A half-grown alligator, six or seven feet long, can swallow a good-sized dog, howling and fighting, at two or three gulps, and with very evident satisfaction; but the Humane Society has very properly vetoed this method of procedure.

In case stray dogs are scarce, pigeons, ducks and chickens are used for the Sunday afternoon "spread"—not so much for the satisfaction of the gators as for the delectation of the visitors. An alligator suffers no inconvenience from a fast of a month or two in duration, and can go for six months without eating, without injury to its health. However, a large percentage of the visitors to the alligator farm prove to be customers before they leave, and for that reason the crowds that go out to see the saurians take their weekly meal are never disappointed. Nevertheless, the alligator is not hard to please in the matter of diet. He is a scavenger, and will eat scraps, tainted meats are sometimes made from the great packing houses of Omaha and Kansas City.

In his native swamps and bayous the alligator hibernates through the winter, burrowing into the mud and lying dormant until the coming of spring. If allowed to follow this practice in captivity, business on the alligator farm would have to be suspended for nearly half the year. It was, therefore, necessary to devise a way of circumventing, in part at least, the saurians' hibernating instinct, so that they might be kept on exhibition and in a place accessible for disposal to customers. The winter quarters are in a long, low building, divided into compartments. Each compartment contains a pool of water, through which run steam pipes, so that the water can be kept temperate. One small pond will hold two or three hundred alligators, piled up on top of one another like so much firewood. There they lie dormant through the winter, not awakening to taste the most tempting morsel of food, even if held against their noses; but when any are wanted for waiting customers or for shipment to distant points, it is an easy matter to enter the building and pick out sleeping reptiles of the proper size.

Mr. Campbell probably knows more about alligators than any man living. His acquaintance with them began many years ago when he was a boy, on the banks of the Ganges river, in India. Then he came to America and hunted alligators for their skins and teeth in the Great Cypress Swamp of Florida and the bayous of Southern Louisiana. The numerous requests for young alligators, the increasing demand for skins, and the diminishing supply of large reptiles in their establishment of a new and unique industry; and two years ago he started his alligator farm at Hot Springs. Even he has been astonished at the insatiable demand for live reptiles. Hundreds of baby 'gators, not more than six inches long, are sold every year to patrons of the nearby summer resorts for pets, for home aquariums, and for curious mementoes to be sent to distant friends. Saloon-keepers are constant patrons, generally buying saurians from twenty-four to thirty inches in length to be kept in the windows of their saloons or on the bars, as an attraction (or is it a warning?) to their customers. Parks, summer resorts, museums and shows of various kinds and pretensions call for a considerable number, often of the largest size that can be obtained.

As an illustration of the way in

which alligators may be used for advertising purposes, it may be mentioned that 100 good-sized 'gators were recently shipped to a patent medicine company in California. The name of the medicine is painted or branded on the back of the saurian, which is placed in the window of the drug store having the nostrum for sale. This never fails to draw a crowd. After the ugly reptiles cease to be a novelty in California, they will be shipped to some other state. The skins of the alligators killed by Mr. Campbell on his hunting expeditions are shipped to New Jersey to be tanned, after which they are made into an almost infinite variety of leather goods. The teeth are manufactured into bizarre and fantastic ornaments and articles of jewelry; and stuffed alligators of all sizes arranged in strange and striking postures are sold for ornamental and decorative purposes.

If a woman could conceal her age with as little difficulty as an alligator can, she would doubtless be happy.

It is considered safe to estimate the age of an alligator two feet long as being at least fifteen years, although it may be two or three times that old. A twelve-footer is not less than seventy-five years old, but it may be 200. Mr. Campbell says that Big Joe is certainly more than 150 years of age, and may be more than 300. These cold-blooded and sluggish reptiles sometimes live to an age of 500 or 600 years, so that Big Joe may still have several centuries of life before him. They continue to grow as long as they live, sometimes attaining a length of more than sixteen feet.

Every year Mr. Campbell spends several weeks or months hunting in Louisiana or Florida to replenish his stock of live reptiles and to secure a fresh supply of hides for tanning. Since starting his farm he has captured more than fifty large alligators, and has purchased large numbers from other hunters. How many he has killed he will not say, for fear of being accused of indulging in hunter's romancing. Alligators always go to the water at night, so that pirogues or canoes are used in the chase, a bull's eye lantern being used to locate the quarry.

The light of the lantern is flashed in all directions, until it is reflected back to the eye of the hunter, from the eyes of some floating monster. When a 'gator has been thus "shined," in hunter's parlance, one may paddle up within six feet of it and blow its head into a pulp with a shot gun. However, a live alligator is worth much more than a dead one, and the hunter invariably takes all under eight feet in length alive, if possible. For this purpose nets are used. These are usually placed in the trails leading from bayou to bayou, and when the 'gator becomes entangled in the meshes of the net his capture is not difficult.

It is found to be quite useless to capture alligators over eight feet long alive in the warm summer months. The unwieldy creatures struggle so hard in resisting capture that they break into a profuse perspiration; and an alligator that has been "sweated" will die within a few days. Large alligators, therefore, are always shot and skinned, unless wanted for some special purpose. In that case the hunter locates his victim in the fall, and then waits for it to hibernate. About the time the reptile fancies that it has stowed itself safely and comfortably in the mud for its winter's nap, it is rudely awakened by a long pole with a hook on the end, and finds the hunter upon it with many sliding nooses that tighten with every vicious and unavailing lunge.

During the month of June the alligators call each other by bellowing like so many angry bulls, and the male becomes exceedingly vicious. This is the breeding season, when many a hot fight is waged in the swamps and bayous, the defeated belligerent generally suppling a square meal for his victorious antagonist. In July the female begins to lay her eggs, scratching up with her hind feet a pile of rubbish consisting of rushes, sticks and canes. On this she lays from thirty to sixty eggs, capsule-shaped and each about two and one-half inches long. Over these she

scratches more rubbish, and then stands on guard while the hot sun hatches out the young. During this period she will attack anything that comes near, there being many instances known of unwary hunters having met with fatal injuries from infuriated alligators guarding their nests. As soon as the little, lizard-like creatures leave the shells, they are led to the water by their mother, who provides them with food which she disgorges.

## Backing up the President.

Two winters ago I spent a day turning Washington inside out. That is to say, I explored its slums in company with Mr. Macfarland, Mr. Weller and others who knew. I am not unused to that sort of thing, and I am not easily discouraged, because I have lived to see the light break in many a place where all was darkness before. But I own that I came back, let us say, exasperated, from that trip. For I had always liked Washington. To me, as to everyone who comes there to enjoy a holiday, it had been a beautiful city, and I had taken a citizen's pride in it. I do so yet, but not in the same way. For I had learned that my fair, lovely apple had a rotten spot at the core.

I mean exactly that, for I have in mind the hidden back alleys we saw, so well hidden that I had passed them by day after day, pleased with the fine front the block was making and without the least suspicion of what it has harbored within. The reader will learn from these pages something of what that is like. It is not a pleasing story, especially because a share of the blame is his. Washington is our national city, and whether we make of it a cause for national shame, we are doing it. Washington is not to blame. It has no voice in the matter. Congress alone has. So, if the reader is humiliated, as I was, by the showing that nowhere is there a death-rate to be found like that of the colored babies in the back alleys of the national capital, we shall have in that, perhaps, a working basis for better things, since whatever of public opinion is needed to work a change must come from the outside. How urgent the need of its coming—of that I saw many proofs. The one I mentioned ought to be enough. But there was a straw that floated with the current that day which I feel like sending along to keep it company. They had opened two playgrounds the summer before, one for white and one for colored children. And this was the record, I was told: the colored people paid for their own, the white did not. They had to be helped.

It is not hard to understand, then, why the tuberculosis deaths run high, or why Judge Lindsey finds the capital making a bad showing in the matter of the children; why compulsory education is not yet a fact in the District of Columbia; why they have no laws against child labor; and much else that is slow, backward and wrong. But can we stand quietly by and let these things be? With forces stirring in nearly every growing city in the land to make better homes and better schools because they mean better citizens; to give the children their rights because so only are men and women raised who know how to use and preserve their rights; with playgrounds being opened daily, in recognition of the fact that man's work, to be healthy and helpful, must have that background; with child labor hotly condemned throughout the land on the same ground; with children's courts, probation plans, developing everywhere in a glad awakening of common sense and common justice—with all these evidences that a people's conscience is aroused to a sense of the real dignity of human life and of the responsibilities it puts upon us, shall we let the cry that bears Washington's name, and which he planned so proudly, shall we leave it to lag behind, when it is in our power to help?

Everybody knows that we can help, that public opinion brought steadily to bear upon Congress will right things, and that it is the only thing that will. Nor is it such a great task as other cities have on hand, while the powers that can be invoked are many times greater than they have at their command

Commissioner Macfarland tells us that the unfavorable conditions as to housing are limited to a comparatively small area and easy to deal with. And so it is as easy to wipe out a foul alley as to make a beautiful "circle." If it does not excite as much admiration, it may head off sorrow and misery that would more than outweigh that. For the pestilence that goes forth from the neglected alley goes far, and neither wealth nor authority has power to stay it. The only thing that has, is care for the neighbor. A man needs to be his brother's keeper if he would keep his own safe. "The slum," said President Roosevelt in his message two years ago, "exact a heavy toll of death from those who dwell therein," and if we heed not the lessons it has labored to teach us these many years, on moral as on physical grounds, "the community will have to pay a terrible penalty of financial burden and social degradation, in the to-morrow."

These are not good words to be spoken of our national capital, but they are as true of Washington as they are of New York and Chicago. Shall we not heed their warning while it is time? Washington may so easily be made the model city of the land. Shall we let the slum grow instead, to make it a reproach to American citizenship for all time to come?

## The Helping Hand to China.

Trade follows moral and spiritual domination far more inevitably than it follows the flag. This is the last word and the burden all the way through of a memorandum which President Edmund J. James, of the University of Illinois, has addressed to President Roosevelt urging the sending of an educational commission from the United States to China. The purpose of such a commission should be to acquaint the people of the different provinces with the educational opportunities open to them in this country, and in general to bring the people of the two countries in closer touch with each other. At the present time, as President James justly says, the European countries, Germany, France, and even Belgium are doing far more for the Chinese in an educational way than we are, and this too despite our boast that we are the natural and historic friends of China. China is in process of revolution. The occasional uprisings here and there are only surface indications of the vast change that is going on under the surface. Anti-foreign riots at treaty ports, occasional slaughter of missionaries are negligible events in comparison with the great uplift of the whole empire that is in progress. There may be occasional relapses, but in the natural course of world events, responding to the pressure of irresistible economic forces, China is bound to come out of her old isolation and conform to the civilization of which she is in no small part the mother. Given such a process of change, such an inward ferment, combined with an awakening interest in the outer world, all of which are but symptoms of a growing national self-consciousness, it follows logically that the nation which extends the most immediately helping hand will be the one to which China will turn most naturally in the future when she has benefits to confer instead of to receive. Trade follows the lines may often be prepared in advance. China has sent educational commissions to us in recent months; now considerations of international amenity as well as of national self-interest impel us to reciprocate.

—Public Opinion.

## The "Yellow Dog" Turns.

The worm has turned, or perhaps it might be better to say the "yellow dog." Stung to volubility by the attacks on him by the newspapers and the directors and officers of the New York Life Insurance Company, Andrew Hamilton appeared before the senate and assembly committees on insurance in Albany last week and denounced the directors who have been accusing him. His remarks were confined entirely to the New York Life. "For the managers of the other companies I have a high and loyal respect," said "Judge" Hamilton, "because so

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far I have not found among them curs and traitors." The assembly chamber was crowded and in the circle of auditors who faced the speaker were many directors and officers of the company. It was a very sharp-horned dilemma which Mr. Hamilton presented to those directors. He declared that all of the money which he had expended for "real estate and legislative" purposes was drawn from the treasury of the company on vouchers approved by the auditing committee of the board of directors. The issue, as he outlined it, is clear. Either the members of the committee knew the uses to which this money was to be put and sanctioned it, or else they were false to their duty as an auditing committee. Either way the born is a disagreeable one on which to be impaled. Mr. Hamilton defended John A. McCall and poured out hot contempt on the men who have disavowed his acts. His address opened and closed with flat declaration that he was unreservedly in favor of the compulsory retirement of the present board next November. "They may talk about the yellow dog," he exclaimed, "but the yellow dog is a dog of courage and loyalty. But the curs that stood around this funeral that has occurred, and the curs who knew of these transactions and shrunk into their shoes, they are the curs, and that is the reason I come to speak before you and to say that the great interest of \$2,000,000 of life insurance and \$400,000,000 of assets can never be safely entrusted to the hands and administration of a lot of curs." It is not strange that a man to whom the epithet of yellow dog has been applied so frequently should lapse into Billingsgate in his rejoinder nor that he should round upon the men whom he accuses of deserting him and the men whom he served. Whatever may be his faults Mr. Hamilton has at least been faithful to the hand that fed him. Meanwhile the policy-holders await the day of justice and occupy their time with cursing both contending factions.

—Public Opinion.

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## AN EXPLANATION.

It is a great thing to have always at hand a ready-made, adequate, warranted not to cramp-at-the-corners nor draw-in-the-middle, explanation for everything that occurs. It conduces to that very comfortable feeling of omniscience which every man is apt privately to cherish concerning himself, to be able to tell off-hand the whyness of this, and the whereforeness of the other. As a case in point, take the recent political upheaval in some of the cities of Maine. "Strange," says the Ordinary Mortal: "I can't understand why these places, normally Republican, should have swung across the line to Democracy." "Not at all strange," says the man with the Explanation: "It is easy figuring. It was the Sturgis bill that did it." So there you are with the matter all simplified. In some of these places the Sturgis commission did its work effectively; in others the results were not so conspicuous; in still others it has attempted nothing. No matter; the Sturgis bill accounts for everything. The bowed back of the father of the bill has been the footstool from which every newly elected officer has vaulted into position, and the hand that wrote the fateful words has cast the defeated candidate down from "the seats of the mighty." The explanation explains, of course. But why stop with these paltry and insignificant events? Why not have the courage of conviction and boldly throw the illuminating light of this patent name upon some other things that seem dark and difficult of understanding? The renewed activity of Venezuela—the entertaining, though somewhat tiresome antics of a little gentleman of the name of Castro down in Venezuela,—the hitch in the proceedings of the Algiers conference,—the astonishing feat of the New Jersey hen that has just laid an egg with a clearly defined handle on the side of it, thus doing away with the necessity of the conventional egg-cup,—we are wondering if these, and hundreds of other happenings that come to mind, are not more or less directly referable to the Sturgis bill,—almost as directly, at any rate, as are some other things that are being charged up to its account. In the meantime, the people of Maine are not likely to be disturbed by the hysteria of professional politicians. Even if they believed half of the nonsense that is being talked on this point, they would argue that there are some things of greater consequence than the political complexion of the gentleman who sits in the mayor's chair or doles out a city's patronage. One such thing is the enforcement of law. The people,—the great, sovereign people,—mean that the law shall be enforced. The one outstanding and incontrovertible fact is that the Sturgis bill is a mighty factor in the enforcement of law. Therefore the people will not cast it aside at the bidding of the whining loser in the game of politics. Probably the spots on the sun had about as much to do with most of the recent elections as had this famous bill; but even if it were otherwise, and the relation could be directly and definitely traced, our level-headed, cool-blooded Yankee people would be likely to reason that the trouble was not with the bill itself, but with those who put themselves in its way. "Friend," said the Quaker to the midnight marauder, "I should be sorry to hurt thee; but I'm going to hit just where thee stands. If thee gets hurt, it'll be thy own fault for being there." If a righteous and effective law hurts anybody, it isn't the law's fault.

—Zion's Advocate.

We have often pointed out the desirability of doubling the salary of the President of the United States. He has far greater responsibilities and incomparably more work to do than has the President of the French Republic, who, nevertheless, receives nearly \$250,000—or, to be exact, a salary of \$240,000, plus the allowance of an equal sum for expenses, besides the use of two furnished palaces, the Elysee and Fon-

tainebleau. It seems that we have not been able to convince some of our fellow citizens in Kansas. In the course of a somewhat heated newspaper discussion of the subject, an inquisitive individual has instituted a minute investigation of all the appropriations made by the Federal government for the Executive Mansion. Besides the salary of \$50,000 a year paid to the President, a number of employees engaged in executive or quasi-executive work receive their stipends from the Federal exchequer. These include, a private secretary who gets \$3250 a year; an assistant private secretary, \$2500; a stenographer, \$1800; five messengers, each of whom gets \$1200; two doorkeepers, \$1200 each; four other clerks at salaries varying from \$1500 to \$2500; a telegraph operator, \$1200; two day ushers, \$1400 each; one night usher, \$1200, and a watchman, \$900. Besides these expenditures for the performance of what may be deemed executive duties, though there was a time when the President defrayed the outlay for such purposes mainly from his private purse, the government furnishes a man to take care of the fires at \$864 a year, a steward at \$1800, and also places at the President's disposal two special funds of \$40,000 and \$8000 a year.

### How to Catch Suckers.

A sure bait for suckers is to advertise something for nothing. How eagerly they bite. The Gardiner Independent tells of the experience gained by one Maine man by the expenditure of a few dollars. He learned that by sending \$1 he could get a cure for drunkenness. Sure enough he did. It was "take the pledge and keep it." Later on he sent fifty 2-cent stamps to find out how to raise turnips successfully. He found out—"Just take hold of the tops and pull." Being young he wished to marry and sent thirty-four one cent stamps to a Chicago firm for information as to how to make an impression. When an answer came it read, "Sit down on a pan of dough." The next advertisement he answered read, "How to double your money in six months." He was told to convert his money into bills, fold them and he would see the money double." Next he sent for twelve useful household articles and got back a package of needles. He then sent \$11 to find out "How to get rich." The reply was: "Work like the devil and never spend a cent." That stopped him but his brother wrote to find out how to write a letter without pen or ink. He was told to use a pencil. He paid \$1 to learn how to live without work, and was told on a postal card to "Fish for suckers as we do."

### Farm Poultry.

Poultry is worthy of more attention than the general run of farmers give it. Everyone keeps chickens. Many keep ducks, geese and turkeys but of all who do, only a small per cent really study this branch of farming and get a fraction of the possible returns.

Hens need breeding for eggs as cows do for milk. The scrub hen is no more of a money-maker than the scrub cow. The hen is in need of a balanced ration the same as the cow. She gets it herself in summer but in winter she must be supplied by the farmer.

If you have been keeping track of the cash received from your poultry you will be aware of how many grocery and other bills have been paid by the neglected hen. If you will begin to study poultry and practice what you learn, you will see how much more money you can get from that source than you have been getting. Every farmer should take a greater interest in farm poultry. Breed for eggs, feed for eggs, learn how to fatten the surplus.

Poultry-raising is not to be laughed at. Haven't time to fool with hens? Then turn that business over to the wife or daughter and give them the profits. Don't make them do the work and you pocket the cash. The laborer is worthy of her hire. She will soon have a new cloak, a new dress, etc., and you will be none the poorer for it. Good way for the girls to earn money for a piano, or music lessons, or satisfy some long cherished desire for self-improvement.

## Grange News.

### Potatoes Look up a Trifle.

New York, Mch. 23.—There is some thing of a puzzle in the potato market. Shippers from all sections have increased their price 2 to 3c. bushel and there is not any great desire to let the potatoes come forward.

Maine continue to dominate the market and while in some sections the shippers say the stock is almost exhausted, in other places around Fort Fairfield, Presque Isle and Caribou information comes to receivers here that there are almost as many potatoes as remained in the state a year ago at this time. A year ago the starch factories were running full and continued until into June. This year they have not run at all. An estimate is that 85 per cent of the crop has been moved and there is yet two months and a half to work out the remainder. Maine potatoes cannot be bought for less than \$1.90 on the dock. This leaves very little for the handlers as the top is \$2 with some sales down to \$1.85. There never was a better winter for shipping stock than this and no potatoes have been hurt by frost.

It is claimed here that if New York farmers would only go to Maine or Michigan and get their seed their yield would be much better. Long Island growers are perhaps as expert as are to be found in the state and every one goes to Maine after his seed stock.

That is one reason that Long Island potatoes bring 35 to 40c. barrel more than those from other parts of the state. The growers up state would make a hit if they would get Maine seed because the yield would certainly be better and the quality superior. Year after year they plant from their own seed and in this way it runs out.

Maine is practically a new country on potatoes and the growers there plant from their own seed. It will only be a question of time when their seed, too, will run out and they probably will come to New York state so as to change around.

The last shipment of foreign potatoes arrived Thursday, consisting of 1,500 bags. This virtually winds up the season. All the last shipments have been from England and the best English stock brings \$1.75, while that from Ireland only brings \$1.50. This has been a very disastrous season for the foreign potatoes and should discourage shipments another year. There are still quite a few foreign potatoes in store, but they will have to be sold at a sacrifice.

It is expected that some new potatoes from Florida will be shipped from the Tampa section before April 10 and the Hastings people expect to begin shipping in a small way by April 10 and by the 20th will be shipping rather freely. The new potatoes from Hastings cut very little figure in the general market. There is virtually no change in sweets. They drag along and when free from disease sell. Jersey has a good lot yet to market.

Boston, Mch. 23.—There are full supplies of Aroostook potatoes at the roads and many are in the houses and cars there. The demand is slack, partly on account of the heavy fall of snow and the disarrangement of teaming facilities. Many believe the market has touched bottom, but there are some who wouldn't be surprised to see prices go still lower. Those who are looking for an advance are quiet. Best Aroostook Green Mountains sell slowly at 63c. and some lots have to be shaded a cent or two. There is little call for P. E. Island stock and such has to be forced off for what it will bring. Chenangoes range 40 to 50c. and reds in the vicinity of 50c.

—N.Y. Produce News.

### Washington Letter.

Representative Perkins of New York is the author of a bill that looks toward reduction of waste in that most extravagant of all Government Departments, the Government Printing Office. It is the aim of his bill to reduce the expenses of the Government for printing a quarter of a million dollars this year. While this amount is small as compared with the great cost of the maintenance of that Department it is considerable especially when it is admitted that the saving is not made by the diminution of the usefulness of the Department. Mr. Perkins's bill which it is believed will be favorably reported by the Committee provides that Congress shall specifically order how many documents shall be printed and the order of their appointment and distribution. It is

estimated that this provision alone will effect a reduction of half a million in the number of Government documents annually issued. It is believed that this great number of documents can be stricken from the printing lists without harm to any one, and with the beneficial effect of relieving the Government of the expense of renting booths and warehouses in which to store them. At least a million volumes are printed each year that no one wants or uses and these are stored at great expense by the Government. Minor chiefs of Department Bureaus have appeared to be under the impression that the Printing Office was created to exploit their greatness and a flood of effusions from them have appeared every year. The demand for these in no way vindicates the judgment that they are necessary to the people and a reduction both in their number and in their length could easily be borne by the public. The cost of the public printing has increased seven millions of dollars in twelve years. Statistics are collected on all imaginable topics and printed and distributed at Government expense. In the Bureau of Education for example statistics are collected each year of the attendance of every school in the country, filling two great volumes which it is safe to say no one in the world reads. Other branches of the Government at like expense are gathering and having printed a vast collection of figures which benefits no one. It is the object of Mr. Perkins's bill to cut out a great deal of this unnecessary printing and diminish the expense of the Department.

It is probable that the Inter Oceanic Canals Committee of the Senate will report adversely upon two of the President's nominations as members of the Isthmian Canal Commission. The members of the Commission number seven and are Charles E. Magoon, Governor of the Canal Zone and Minister to the Republic of Panama who receives a salary of \$17,000; Rear Admiral Endicot; Brig. General Peter Haines; Col. Earnest; Chairman Shontz, who has a salary of \$30,000; Chief Engineer Stevens whose salary is \$25,000 and Joseph Bucklin, appointed as Secretary of the Commission with a salary of \$10,000. Without a doubt one of the nominations that the Commission will report adversely to that of Mr. Bishop. There has been more opposition to his appointment than any other and the storm of disapproval has spread throughout the Senate. Mr. Bishop was appointed originally as a press agent at a salary of ten thousand and his duties were supposed to be those of a press censor who should pass upon the news that was given out from the Ithmus. That there was need of such a man to prevent the great mass of falsification and misrepresentation that has emanated from there is evident from such incidents as the Poulney Bigelow and other works of fiction but the Senate and the newspapers affected to believe that Mr. Bishop had been appointed to suppress real information necessary to the conduct of affairs there. The storm was temporarily calmed by his appointment to the Commission for which he might act as Secretary and still perform the important office of historian of the Canal but the Senate Committee is still dissatisfied with the nomination. There is a strong sentiment in the Committee that the Chairman and Secretary of the Commission ought to live on the Isthmus and it is probable that a provision to this effect will be put into law at this session of Congress. This alone would probably result in the resignation of Mr. Bishop who, it is unlikely would care to give up his Washington residence to live at Panama.

The resignation of Mr. Shontz, chairman of the Commission has been so persistently rumored that it is given general credence. It has been intimated to him that his confirmation as Chairman of the Commission by the Senate would be conditional upon his resignation of the Vice Presidency of the Clover Leaf Railroad. As his interests in this road are of great value it is not likely that he will feel he can afford to subordinate them to the Canal work and it is probable that he will step aside to make room for a successor will be Chief Engineer Stevens now Chief Engineer. And so the changes in the Canal Management go steadily on, not the least of which is the probability of a successor to Secretary Taft which will be made necessary if he takes the seat on the Supreme bench made vacant by the retirement of Justice Browne. Former Chief Engineer Wal-

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lace whose resignation from the Commission brought upon him the severe criticism of Secretary Taft has been before the Canals Committee for several days giving testimony based upon his experience while at Panama as Chief Engineer. In his opinion there is but one type of Canal adapted to the requirements there and that is the sea level type. The deterring conditions to this kind of a canal are money and time but he has stated that ten or twelve years would be sufficient for its construction and that its effectiveness, adequacy and permanency would more than pay for the additional money required.

### SAME OLD STORY 'WAY BACK IN 1834.

#### People Were Fighting Rum Then As Now.

##### A Strong Protest Against License.

A Petition Which Was Signed by Scores of Old Citizens Has Just Come to Light.

Sometime ago an old document, yellow with age, came into our hands and on looking it over we found it to be a petition of the voters of Westbrook against granting licenses for the sale of liquors during the year 1834. That the temperance question was one of as vital importance 70 odd years ago as it is today, can readily be seen by reading a copy of the petition which follows. The names on it will easily be recognized by all the middle aged and elderly residents of our city. On the back of the paper is written "Petition of the Male Inhabitants of Westbrook Against Licences, 1834." This petition presented four days after licences were granted, Sept. 7, 1834.

### THE PETITION.

The undersigned inhabitants of and legal voters in the town of Westbrook, respectfully request the Selectmen in said town not to grant any licences for retailing ardent spirits in said town for the year ensuing and for the following reasons:

1st. That it produces more pauperism than all other reasons combined.

2d. That it has in fact been an expense of at least one thousand dollars to the town the last year; this sum being about half the expense of the town poor.

3d. That it is the most fruitful source of crime with which any community is afflicted, as is abundantly proved by the history of all convicts of State prisons.

4th. That it would prevent a vast amount of suffering of females and children, whose husbands and fathers are addicted to the habit of intemperance, and expend a great proportion of their earnings for the means of intoxication.

5th. That the actual idleness caused by drinking is at least equal to half the time of those who are guilty of the habit.

6th. That even the small portion of time the intemperate do work is more for the benefit of the rum seller than for their own families.

7th. That it would be an act of humanity not to give a license to any man to sell ardent spirits; as it is clearly proved that half, if not three-fourths of all those whose business it is to retail the deadly poison, die drunkards.

8th. That communities cannot only do without intoxicating liquors, but are highly benefitted by not using them, has been abundantly proven in Massachusetts. Their laws have given the

power of granting licences to county commissioners; in a number of counties for the last few years the commissioners have refused to grant any, and so salutary has been the effect upon the comfort, morals and general state of society in these countries that the Legislature at its present session has passed a law prohibiting the retailing of ardent spirits altogether.

9th. That the law leaves it discretionary with the Selectmen to grant license or not, cannot admit of a doubt as they are to grant only as many as the public good requires, and he who now says with the light and knowledge that all possess upon this subject, that the public good requires that any man should be licensed to destroy his fellow men, must be blind to and regardless of the best interests of community.

H. C. Babb. Otis Brown.  
David Aayns. Joseph Patridge.  
Moses Quinby. Nath'l Haskell.  
Abial Foster. Joseph Babb.  
Jeremiah C. Barker. Henry Smith.  
Wm. Akers. Wm. H. Babb.  
Wm. Marreta. Benjamin Danforth.  
George Hatch. Wm. Barker.  
Geo. Warren. Eben'zr Haskell.  
Joseph P. Libby. T. B. Edwards.  
Wm. Cox. S. Mayberry.  
Lewis P. Wallace. John H. Gile.  
G. W. Patridge. Solomon Paine.  
Samuel Brown. James B. Walker.  
Chas. M. Swett. William Tucker.  
Stephen Cole. F. M. Follansbee.  
Rufus Johnson. B. M. Edwards.  
Paul Chesley. George W. Dyer.  
Thos. Goad. Joshua Kollock.  
Wm. Dyer. Benj. F. Pratt.  
Joseph M. Watson. John Warren.  
S. W. Foss. J. B. Walker.  
Th. Babb. Alexander Freeman.  
Lemuel C. Babb. Benj. Patridge.  
Daniel Babb. Joseph Whitten.  
Lowell Newcomb. Nath'l Murch Jr.  
Edward R. Babb. Merrill Whitney.  
James L. Frost.

Quite a number of the descendants of these men are among the well-known citizens of our city today. The voters were all residents, we believe, of old Saccarappa village. Mr. T. B. Edwards, whose name appears, was a merchant in Saccarappa for many years and an uncle of Mr. L. W. Edwards of this city. He died a few years ago in the adjoining town of Gorham at a very advanced age—nearly 90 years—and had outlived all the other 53 petitioners.

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## A Patient Scot.

Alexander Innes Shand in his "A Medley of Memories" writes of an old Scotchman whom he knew in his boyhood. "He used to drive cattle in a flowing, flowered dressing gown, which had been passed on to him, and he only shaved his gray beard at long intervals. One of my earliest recollections is seeing him biting off the tails of a litter of terrier puppies in the courtyard. He was a philosopher in his own way, and with the free run of the servants' hall and butler's pantry he took life easily.

"He never complained. Once when the landlord paid a morning visit that personage splashed from the drainage outside the door into a puddle within, where some ducklings were disporting themselves, and the wet was dripping over him from the blackened rafters.

"Why, John," was the exclamation, "you are in a terrible state here! We must have your roof overhauled." "Aye, it's lettin' in some water," was the reply, "but it's gay thick, and they are but little drops, and I do weel enough in the bed under my auld umbrella."

## Etiquette of Cannibalism.

"Even among the savages of French Africa, who eat human flesh, there are differences," said Paul Pucci, a young Italian traveler. "Some while ago, when exploring in that country, I learned a good bit about the ways of the various tribes. In a majority of them cannibalism is indulged in only when the bodies are those of prisoners taken in battle. It is all right to eat persons who belong to hostile clans, but it would be a gross violation of tradition and the custom of the land to feast upon the friends or even upon members of the same tribe. This delicacy of sentiment, however, is not universal, and in some tribes in particular, where I noted the absence of any old persons, I learned that it was the proper thing to add the aged inhabitants to the local food supply. This cannibalism of the young and hardy, for at the first signs of decrepitude the killing post was called into requisition."—Washington Post.

## Hard Lines For Bachelors.

"Korea's the wrong place for bachelors," said a traveler. "Bachelors in Korea are considered as children and have only children's privileges. You, a Korean bachelor, get thirsty. You enter a rest house and call for palm wine. The pretty little amber colored waitress says:

"Married?"

"No," says you.

"Koreans, then," says she. And out you go unloved.

"You want to vote, but they won't let you if you are not married.

"You apply for a job somewhere. How many children have you?" is the first question you're asked.

"And as soon as you say you're unmarried they laugh in your face to think that you should presume to apply for work anywhere."

## Where Babies Swim.

"I spend my winters in Samoa," said a traveler. "It is always summer there. There the babies swim. Can you imagine a qualiter, a more charming sight than a host of babies, none over two years old, laughing and crawling and swimming like fish in pools of clear sea water? You will see this sight in Samoa. Samoan women believe sea baths benefit babies, and in that equable climate they bathe their little ones daily the year around. The youngsters soon learn to swim. They can swim before they can walk. And to get these pretty brown babies swimming in the sea is well worth a 5,000 mile trip to Samoa."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

## Extravagant Shoes.

During the reigns of William Rufus, Henry I. and Stephen all sorts of extravagant shoes were worn. The toes were sometimes long and pointed and sometimes made to curl like a ram's horn. Occasionally they were twisted in different directions, as though the feet were deformed. The clergy protested and threatened, but the fashion continued in spite of the maledictions. Several persons were excommunicated for wearing pointed shoes, but they took the risk.

## Handling Facts.

The lady witness had become quite picturesque in her testimony, and the attorney had called her down in a way that made her mad all over. "Confine yourself to facts if you please, madam," he said in conclusion. "Very well," she replied tartly. "You are no gentleman. How does that strike you?"—London Tit-Bits.

## The Height of Endurance.

"Are you capable of enduring toil, self sacrifice and personal discomfort in your determination to accomplish something you have set out to do?" inquired the man who gives advice.

"Yes," answered the youth, "I can conscientiously say I am. I once colored a meerschaum pipe."—Exchange.

## The Unkindest Cut.

"Is it true that your father is so angry with you that he even refuses to speak to you?"

"Why, he won't recognize me at all. He is so angry that the last time we met he even cut my allowance."—Baltimore American.

## Her Version of It.

"But didn't you promise when we were married that I should smoke in the house whenever I pleased?"

"Yes, but you never please by smoking in the house. You displease me."

I have also seen the world and after long experience have discovered that enmity is our greatest enemy and remunerative labor our most lasting friend. —Justice Moser.

## Church Directory

**First Unitarian Church.**  
CORNER KELLERAN AND MILITARY STS.  
Pastor REV. LEVERETT R. DANIELS.  
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SUNDAY SERVICES.  
Morning Worship and Sermon 10.30 A. M.  
Sunday School 11.45 A. M.  
Young Peoples Religious Union 7.00 P. M.  
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CORNER KELLERAN AND MILITARY STS.  
Pastor REV. F. CLARKE HARTLEY.  
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SUNDAY SERVICES.  
Preaching 10.30 A. M. 7 P. M.  
Bible School and Pastors Class 11.45 A. M.  
Christian Endeavor Service 6.00 P. M.  
Regular Prayer and Praise Service Tuesday, 7.30 P. M.

**First Baptist Church.**  
COURT ST.  
REV. J. A. FORD M. A. Pastor.  
Morning Worship and Sermon 10.30 A. M.  
Bible School 12.00 A. M.  
Junior Endeavor 3.00 P. M.  
Christian Endeavor 6.15 P. M.  
Song Service and Sermon 7.00 P. M.  
Prayer Meeting Tuesday 7.30 P. M.

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Morning Service 10.30 A. M.  
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FRIDAYS.  
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Pastor REV. DANIEL E. PUTNAM.  
Residence, 10 Kelleran Street.  
SUNDAY SERVICES.  
Preaching Service 10.30 A. M.  
Sunday School 11.45 A. M.  
Praise Service with brief Address 7.00 P. M.  
TUESDAY.  
Prayer Meeting 7.30 A. M.

**Methodist Episcopal Church.**  
CORNER MILITARY AND SCHOOL STS.  
Pastor REV. G. E. EDGETT.  
Residence, 28 School St.  
SUNDAY SERVICES.  
Morning Worship and Sermon 10.30 A. M.  
Sunday School 12.00 P. M.  
Epworth League 6.00 P. M.  
Song Service and Sermon 7.00 P. M.  
TUESDAY. Prayer Meeting 7.30 P. M.  
FRIDAY. Class Meeting 7.30 P. M.  
All Welcome.

**First Presbyterian Church.**  
CORNER HIGH AND MILITARY STS.  
Pastor REV. KENNETH McKAY.  
Manse, Next door to Church on High Street.  
SUNDAY SERVICES.  
Sunday School 9.30 A. M.  
Morning Worship 10.30 A. M.  
Junior C. E. Service 2.30 P. M.  
Service in Church on Foxcroft Road 2.30 P. M.  
C. E. Service 6.30 P. M.  
Evening Worship 7.00 P. M.  
TUESDAY. Prayer Meeting 7.30 P. M.

## Libel for Divorce.

**STATE OF MAINE.**  
ARROOSTOOK, ss.—To the Sheriffs of our Counties, their Deputies, and the Constables of the towns and plantations in said Counties:  
Greeting:  
We command you to attach the goods or estate of Mary M. Hanning formerly of Oakland, in said County, to the value of One Hundred Dollars and summon said defendant (if she may be found in your precinct), to appear before our Justice of our Supreme Judicial Court next to be held at Houlton, in and for the County of Aroostook, on the third Tuesday of April, 1906, then and there in our said Court to answer unto Amos H. Hanning of Cary, in said County.  
In a Libel for divorce herein inserted To the Hon. Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court next to be held at Houlton, in the County of Aroostook and State of Maine: Amos H. Hanning of Cary, in said County of Aroostook, respectfully represents that on the 27th day of July, 1902, at Oakland, Maine, he was lawfully married to Mary M. Tibbets, of said Oakland, by Rev. J. J. McLeod of Houlton; that ever since said time he has conducted himself towards said Libelee as a faithful, true and affectionate husband but that said Libelee, regardless of her marriage covenant and duty, on the 26th day of October, 1902, utterly deserted your Libellant, without cause, and that said deserter has continued to the present time, being more than three years.

That said Libelee has been for some time past guilty of gross and confirmed habits of intoxication from the use of intoxicating liquors.  
That they never have had any children.  
That your Libellant has made diligent inquiry, but that the residence of said Libelee is unknown to your Libellant, and cannot be ascertained by reasonable diligence. That there is no collusion between them to obtain a divorce, but that your Libellant believes that said bonds of matrimony ought to be dissolved, wherefore he prays that a divorce may be decreed.  
Signed and sworn to before me this 19th day of March, 1906:  
RANSOM NORTON,  
Justice of the Peace.

ARROOSTOOK, ss. Supreme Judicial Court in Vacation, March 22, 1906.  
In this action it is ordered by the court that notice be given said Libelee, by publishing the writ and libel and this order of court three successive weeks in the Aroostook Times, a newspaper published at Houlton in said County of Aroostook, the last publication to be at least eleven days before the next term of this court in said County of Aroostook to be held at Houlton, in said County, on the third Tuesday of April, 1906; that she may then and there appear and defend if she sees fit.  
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## BRANCH

## Royal Insurance Company

Of Liverpool, Eng.

ASSETS, 31 Dec., 1905.  
Real Estate owned by the Company, unincumbered, \$2,583,564.88  
Loans on Bonds and mortgages, (first liens) 320,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds owned by the Company, Market value, 4,194,799.88  
Cash in Company's principal office and in bank, 430,914.80  
Interest due and accrued, 49,245.98  
Premiums in due course of collection, 821,691.76  
Other property, 29,714.38

Aggregate of all the admitted assets of the Company at their actual value, \$8,429,931.68  
LIABILITIES, 31 DEC., 1905.  
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims, \$313,173.93  
Amount required to safely reimburse all outstanding claims, 4,727,869.45  
All other demands against the Company, viz: commissions, etc., 413,387.97

Total amount of liabilities, except capital stock and net surplus, 5,454,431.35  
Surplus beyond capital, 2,975,500.33  
Aggregate amount of liabilities, including net surplus, \$8,429,931.68  
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## American Central Ins. Co.

Of St. Louis, Mo.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1905.

Mortgage Loans, \$7,500.00  
Collateral Loans, 170,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds, 3,528,878.17  
Cash in Office and Bank, 233,815.58  
Agents' Balances, 321,008.47  
Gross Assets, \$4,261,202.22  
Deduct items not admitted, 21,241.87  
Admitted Assets, \$4,239,960.35  
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1905.  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$146,919.68  
Unearned Premiums, 1,613,371.34  
All other Liabilities, 48,141.27  
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00  
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,431,518.06  
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$4,239,960.35  
GEO. S. GENTLE, Agent, Houlton, Me. 313

## The Niagara Fire Insurance

Company

Of New York.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1905.

Mortgage Loans, \$240,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds, 4,027,250.00  
Cash in Office and Bank, 69,124.25  
Agents' Balances, 382,979.85  
Interest and Rents, 23,878.27  
Gross Assets, \$4,743,232.47  
Deduct items not admitted, 10,936.36  
Admitted Assets, \$4,732,296.11  
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1905.  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$211,622.13  
Unearned Premiums, 2,210,148.79  
All other Liabilities, 60.00  
Cash Capital, 500,000.00  
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,910,455.19  
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$4,732,296.11  
GEO. S. GENTLE, Agent, Houlton, Me. 313

## Queen Insurance Company

Of America.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1905.

Mortgage Loans on Real Estate, \$71,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds, 6,066,854.79  
Cash in Office and in Banks, 163,788.12  
Agents' Balances and Uncollected Premiums, 462,040.88  
Due for Re-insurance on Losses Paid, 77,023.52  
Gross Admitted Assets, \$6,841,016.55  
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1905.  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$253,588.23  
Unearned Premiums, 2,715,962.85  
All other Liabilities, 130,789.71  
Total, \$3,100,340.79  
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00  
Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,740,685.76  
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$6,841,016.55  
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Until further notice trains will leave Houlton as follows:

8.05 a. m.—for and arriving at Island Falls 9.16 a. m., Patten 11.37 a. m., Millinocket 10.25 a. m., Brownville 11.25 a. m., Oxbow 12.25 p. m., Bangor 1.00 p. m., Portland 1.25 p. m., Boston 9.05 p. m.

8.55 a. m.—for and arriving at Lathrop 9.12 a. m., Mars Hill 10.07 a. m., Port Fairfield 10.55 a. m., Presque Isle 10.52 a. m., Caribou 11.00 a. m., Van Buren 12.19 p. m., Bangor 1.00 p. m., Portland 1.25 p. m., Boston 9.05 p. m.

11.30 a. m.—for and arriving at Snyrna Mills 12.24 a. m., Masardis 1.46 p. m., Ashland 2.15 p. m., Portland 2.40 p. m., Fort Kent 4.15 p. m.

1.00 p. m.—for and arriving at Bridgewater 3.01 p. m., Mar. Hill and Bangor 2.10 p. m., Presque Isle 2.40 p. m., Caribou 3.15 p. m., New Sweden 4.36 p. m., Van Buren 5.30 p. m., Fort Fairfield 5.05 p. m., Limestone 4.10 p. m.

2.00 p. m.—for and arriving at Island Falls 3.01 p. m., Patten 3.53 p. m., Millinocket 4.20 p. m., Brownville 5.22 p. m., South Lagrange 6.19 p. m., Stockton 8.20 p. m., Bangor 8.30 p. m., Oxbow 6.50 p. m., Bangor 7.25 p. m., Portland 1.10 a. m., Boston 5.30 a. m.

3.35 p. m.—for and arriving at Snyrna Mills 4.18 p. m., Howe Brook 4.51 p. m., Masardis 5.36 p. m., Ashland 6.00 p. m.

6.20 p. m.—for and arriving at Island Falls 7.18 p. m., Millinocket 8.15 p. m., Bangor 8.11 p. m., Portland 8.20 p. m., Boston 9.25 p. m.

8.20 p. m.—for and arriving at Bridgewater 9.19 p. m., Mars Hill and Bangor 9.25 p. m., Presque Isle 9.57 p. m., Caribou 10.25 p. m., Fort Fairfield 10.15 p. m.

## ARRIVALS.

8.00 a. m.—leaving Fort Fairfield 6.00 a. m., Caribou 6.00 a. m., Presque Isle 6.27 a. m., Mars Hill and Bangor 6.58 a. m., Bridgewater 7.15 a. m.

8.50 a. m.—leaving Boston 7.00 p. m., Portland 10.35 p. m., Bangor 3.55 a. m., Millinocket 4.40 a. m., Snyrna Mills 7.28 a. m., Island Falls 7.51 a. m., Oakfield 8.09 a. m., Lathrop 8.27 a. m., New Limerick 8.50 a. m.

9.20 a. m.—leaving Ashland 6.50 a. m., Masardis 7.15 a. m., Snyrna Mills 8.30 a. m., Lathrop 8.55 a. m., New Limerick 9.05 a. m.

12.55 p. m.—leaving Boston 10.00 p. m., Portland 1.05 a. m., Bangor 7.00 a. m., Oxbow 7.35 a. m., Snyrna Mills 5.50 a. m., Stockton 6.05 a. m., South Lagrange 8.10 a. m., Brownville 9.01 a. m., Millinocket 10.25 a. m., Patten 11.00 a. m., Island Falls 11.48 a. m.

1.55 p. m.—leaving Fort Fairfield 11.40 a. m., Van Buren 9.20 a. m., Caribou 11.45 a. m., Presque Isle 12.15 p. m., Mars Hill and Bangor 12.48 p. m., Bridgewater 1.05 p. m., Monticello 1.25 p. m.

3.15 p. m.—leaving Fort Kent 10.45 a. m., Portage 12.19 p. m., Ashland 12.45 p. m., Lathrop 2.51 p. m., New Limerick 3.01 p. m.

6.15 p. m.—leaving Van Buren 10.40 p. m., Fort Fairfield 4.15 p. m., Caribou 4.10 p. m., Presque Isle 4.28 p. m., Mars Hill and Bangor 5.19 p. m., Bridgewater 5.27 p. m.

8.15 p. m.—leaving Boston 6.00 a. m., Portland 10.25 a. m., Bangor 3.45 p. m., Oxbow 3.45 p. m., Brownville 4.10 p. m., Millinocket 6.03 p. m., Patten 6.15 p. m., Snyrna Mills 6.54 p. m., Island Falls 7.18 p. m.

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## LOCAL NEWS.

Jap-A-Lac. The great household re-juvenator.

Mrs. John B. McMann was in Bangor a few days this week.

Rev. J. A. Ford will speak Sunday morning on Facts that encourage Faith. A young daughter arrived at the home of A. W. Clark, North Street, Wednesday last.

The third assembly to be given by Palmer's Orchestra will occur Tuesday evening April 3d in Friebe's Hall.

Geo. A. Hagerman one of our dealers in Pianos and Organs went to Bangor one day this week on business.

Mrs. James K. Osgood has sold her residence on the corner of Court and Park St. to Charles Merritt, we understand.

In consideration of yourself, your family and your bank account, call and see Fox Bros. beautiful line of spring suits and overcoats.

Mrs. Almon H. Fogg who has been sick with pneumonia, at her home on Main St. since last Saturday, is very much better her many friends are glad to know.

The Ladies Aid of the Methodist church will hold a sale of useful and fancy articles in the League room on Thursday afternoon, April 12. A variety supper will be served from 5.30 till 7 o'clock. A large attendance is anticipated.

Our subscribers who have paid during the past few weeks will please exercise their patience, as we have been unable to change the dates on their slips. We have been rushed with work and our force has been reduced by the resignation of Mr. Toland, and also by sickness. We have a new man engaged and will soon get matters straightened out.

Will Farjo of Cary has on his farm this sheep that have given birth to thirteen lambs this spring. Eighteen of these lambs are living and enjoying good health. Besides these eighteen lambs he has two that weighed forty pounds each when they were five weeks old. We have not seen the lambs but we have summered and wintered with and we are ready to speak for the above statement.

The voters of Linneus elected the following officers at their town meeting last Monday: Moderator, C. H. Young; Clerk, W. H. Bither; Selectmen, H. O. Bither, Andrew Adams, Vincent Bither; treasurer, W. H. Bither; Collector, H. E. Kimball; School Committee, C. H. Young, J. E. Bith, Clarence Gore; Road Commissioners W. H. Bither, Henry Stewart, Charles Estabrook; Auditor, C. H. Young.

The Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star to be held here on May 16, and 17, will likely bring to our town about five hundred delegates, more than our hotels will be able to accommodate. The Ladies of the Eastern Star, will be obliged to anyone that can spare a room or rooms, with or without table board, if they will notify Mrs. Oren M. Putnam, Chairman of the entertainment Committee. They do not solicit free accommodations delegates expect, and will pay for the accommodations furnished.

Paint of tasteful colors of the right quality and properly applied will make your house as pretty as any in the town and I can show you samples of artistic home paintings, give you estimates of colors, schemes, drawings if you wish, showing the effect in all styles and shades, from the most glaring red to the most subdued and softened tint. Now is the time to figure on spring work. Look up the matter now, and the job can be done when you want it. New York Decorating Co., H. R. Davis, Manager, 64 High St., Phone 55-3.

Special revival services will begin in Houlton Tuesday evening, April 10th, under the direction of Rev. Charles Everts of New York. Mr. Everts is an evangelist of wide experience, having been associated with Mr. Gale for several years. He is an earnest and instructive speaker, and a Bible teacher of recognized ability—being conductor of Bible Institute work in Providence, New York and Boston. He is also a leader in song and accompanist on the auto-harp. Mr. Everts expects to have associated with him a trained gospel soloist. The work will begin in Houlton the week before Easter—a week when Christians of all denominations should be touched and quickened by the Spirit of Pasion Week. Special notices containing more definite information will be distributed next week.

## LOCAL NEWS.

The Town schools will re-open next Monday.

Jap-A-Lac. The great household re-juvenator.

Mrs. George Gilman went to Boston Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Annie Garcelon is visiting her son at Portage Lake.

Please bear in mind that Fox Bros. are still selling \$10.00 overcoats for \$5.00.

Miss Ryan announces a display and opening of spring and summer millinery on Friday and Saturday April 13 and 14.

Mrs. Fred Butler, Military St., is very sick with pneumonia. Her symptoms are more favorable this morning we are glad to learn.

People wishing to consult G. T. Holt Eye-Sight Specialist should do so at once as he expects to return to his home in Rockland Sat. Apr. 7.

The ladies of the Church of the Good Shepherd will serve one of their fine suppers at the Church Vestry on Easter Monday from 5.30 to 7.

Mrs. H. Edblad, President. "Down East" was presented at Caribou, by the Ricker students last night to a large and enthusiastic audience. The play will be taken to Fort Fairfield to night.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. French started for Atlantic City, New Jersey Monday evening. They were accompanied by their son Walter and will be away several weeks we understand.

You all know what a large advance has been made in all lines of merchandise. Fox Bros. are selling goods to-day at the same price that they were selling at last year. We are bound to protect all our customers and save them dollars.

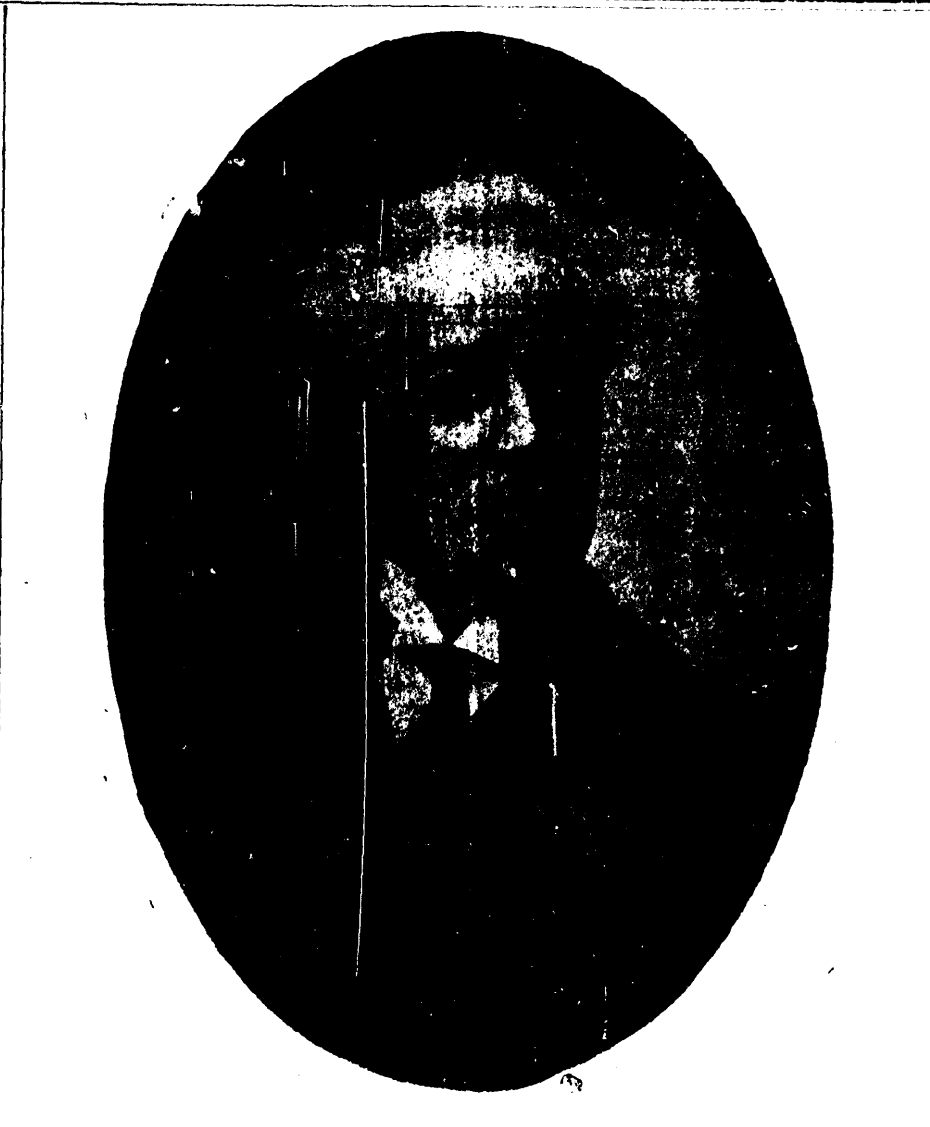
A male quartette, known as the Masonic Quartette, has been organized in the town. It is composed of C. C. Newell 1st tenor, H. C. Kinney 2d tenor, S. H. Hanson 1st bass, Bernard Archibald 2d bass. Bernard Archibald is the director with, C. C. Newell as business manager.

Mr. and Mrs. James Archibald returned last week from an extended trip through the west and south. They are both enthusiastic over the advantages of Colorado and California as a place to visit but are glad to return to the bracing Aroostook air and familiar faces of the Pine Tree State.

Mrs. Don A. H. Powers who has been in Portland Maine, for several months undergoing treatment for an ankle which was several times sprained and from which she suffered much during the past year will return home this week, and her many friends will be pleased to learn that she has fully recovered.

The Fact and Fiction club met last Saturday with Mrs. Chas. Whitcomb, Court St. Roll-call was responded to with quotations from Matthew Arnold. Mrs. Richards gave a paper she had prepared entitled "Some Famous Schools of England." "Notes of a Rhodes Scholar," by David Porter was read by Mrs. Ludwig, a selection from "Tom Brown at Oxford" was read by Mrs. Thornton. Miss McGinley told the intervening chapters from Marcella and the club read the last two chapters.

The audience which greeted Miss Safford of Portland Thursday night in Forester's Hall, was not as large as it undoubtedly would have been had not so many members of the various clubs been ill and unable to attend. But to those who were present the evening was one of great enjoyment. The reading given by Miss Safford was Shakespeare's play of Hamlet, and it was presented as a whole in a masterly manner. This play is conceded by critics to be Shakespeare's masterpiece, and is most difficult to interpret to an audience, especially in the parts of Hamlet and Ophelia for reasons easily understood. Miss Safford's impersonation of these characters, especially the latter, was excellent. Her voice is clear and pleasant and she is evidently a careful student and thoroughly at home with her author. We hope at some future date to have the pleasure of again hearing this talented lady in Houlton under more favorable conditions, when a larger audience would be possible. Those who were fortunate enough to hear Miss Safford in Brown- ing's "Pippa Passes" were most enthusiastic in her praise. But Houlton people having been the victims of several Shakespearean Readings of a pronounced "Fake" type and still sore on the subject, it was indeed a pleasure to find the reading of last evening a thorough treat.



### Death of Mr. Geo. H. Gilman

Editor and Proprietor of the Aroostook Pioneer.

The community was shocked and saddened by the news which came Thursday morning that George H. Gilman, editor of the Aroostook Pioneer, was dead. His many friends had noticed he had been failing for some time, and about four weeks ago he went to Boston accompanied by his daughter Mae. Mrs. Gilman, who had bravely taken her husband's place, was summoned Wednesday morning to go at once to Boston, but he breathed his last before his wife could reach his side.

## LOCAL NEWS.

Unitarian Sale and Supper postponed until further notice.

Jap-A-Lac. The great household re-juvenator.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. French went to Millinocket Thursday.

How about that up-to-date spring hat. \$1.00, \$2.00, \$3.00 and \$4.50 at Fox Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Putnam go to Bangor to-morrow where they will be the guests of Judge C. A. Bailey for a time.

Without a foreman, the editor out of town, our best girl sick. The above describes our situation today as we go to press. Please excuse errors.

An interesting meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held Thursday, March 29th. Letters were read and several matters of interest discussed. Mrs. J. Brown will lead the devotional meeting April 5th and it was voted to begin all meetings strictly on time, 2.30 p. m.

The Maine Agricultural Experiment Station is now mailing Bulletin 123 on insects. The strawberry crown girdler is discussed with reference to its tendency to enter houses, and data concerning its food plants and suggestions as to remedial measures are given. Notes on other insects which have been conspicuous during 1905 are recorded. Among these are the tussock moth, red-humped caterpillar, stalk borer, mourning cloak-butterfly, chain dotted geometer, rosehafer, carpet beetle, wire worms, and a gray snout beetle. A list of insects sent to the station in 1905 for identification is appended.

This bulletin (123) will be sent free to all residents of Maine who apply to the Agricultural Station, Orono, Me. In writing, please mention this paper.

A special civil service examination for clerk and carrier in the Houlton, Me., post office will be held in the High School on April 7, 1906, at 9 o'clock a. m. in order that an appointment may be made in the office, and future appointments as occasion may require. Applicants must be between the ages of 18 and 45 years and citizens of the United States. Male applicants must measure not less than 5 ft., 4 in. in their stocking feet, and weigh not less than 135 lbs. in ordinary clothing. Medical certificates will not be required of applicants, but those who may receive appointments will be called upon to furnish the same before entering upon duty. Lists of those who pass examinations are no longer posted, but information as to their standing on the registers can be obtained upon application. For the required application form, and a pamphlet of general in-

Mr. Gilman was born in Augusta in 1854, and was 52 years old. He was once elected to the State Legislature. But his chief work was in the Pioneer office, and he became a thorough workman. He was very obliging and the proprietors of the Times have received many kindnesses at his hands. His sorrowing relatives have the sympathy of the community in their bereavement. The funeral will take place Saturday afternoon under the auspices of Rock- aboma Lodge of Odd Fellows of which he was a Charter member. Rev. Leverett R. Daniels of the Unitarian church will have charge of the service at the home. Funeral service at 2 o'clock.

formation containing specimen examination questions, apply to Mr. Murdock B. McKay at the post office, or Edward E. Stebbins, Secretary Board of Examiners, Post Office Building, Boston, Mass. Applications should be promptly filled out and filed with the latter not later than 4.30 p. m. April 3, 1906.

Pretty girl friends of Miss Dora Drake Shaw were all a-flutter on Friday evening at the dinner given by Miss Shaw at the Jonathan Club, when the beautiful young hostess ingeniously announced her engagement to Robert Armstrong Heffner, a prominent young Angeleno. The dinner itself was a brilliant affair; indeed the best of all the announcement was a complete surprise. It was ostensibly given in honor of Miss Claire Browne and Miss Katherine Bruce, two girls from the hostess's former home, Houlton, Maine. The dinner itself was given in the banquet room of the Jonathan Club, which is itself finished in red. The great round table at which twenty-five guests were seated was spread with a lacy cloth and in the center glowed a mass of vivid red carnations and soft ferns. Crystal candelabra shaded with red cast a soft glow, and place cards were adorned with scarlet flowers. All the courses were red, beginning with the oyster cocktail and ending with the red heart-shaped ice. The cake which went with the ice, was served in a basket of red with flowers and ribbons attached, and within the inviting cakes reposed the cards of Mr. Heffner and his charming fiancée. Then such a murmur of surprise and laughter and congratulations as arose. The blushing bride-elect was simply overwhelmed. She herself carried out the color scheme well, wearing a handsome frock of black silk net over red silk. The bride-elect herself is a pretty and charming girl, and since her residence here is a member of the Alpha Kappa sorority, having attended the University of Southern California, from which she will graduate this June. Mr. Heffner is a son of Mrs. R. A. Heffner and of the late R. A. Heffner both old residents of this city. He is a rising young business man and is connected with W. P. Jeffries & Co. He is a Mason and a Shriner and a popular member of the Jonathan Club.

—Los Angeles Sunday Times.

The many friends of Miss Shaw in this town will be interested in the above notice and join with the Times in extending their best wishes to the bride-elect.

Going visiting soon? Fox Bros. have a large line of dress suit cases from 98 cents to \$12.00.

## Would you not like to invest your Money in the same way the Savings Banks of Maine invest theirs?

We have a few Investment Securities, paying a net income of from 4 per cent to 5 per cent which we offer for sale.

We have several blocks of bonds issued by the Bangor & Aroostook R. R., in whose securities the Houlton Savings Bank has more than \$100,000 invested; also some of the New Northern Maine seaport R. R. bonds which have been purchased in large blocks by Maine Savings Banks.

We have another block of bonds of which the Penobscot Savings Bank of Bangor owns \$30,000; we have various issues of bonds in \$500 and \$1000 denominations which are owned in large blocks by trustees and investors throughout Eastern Maine.

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Call and see him or drop him a line and he will call upon you.

President.  
**EDWIN G. MERRILL.**

Treasurer.  
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### In Memoriam.

Mrs. Ruth A., wife of Mellen C. Niles, died at her home in the Niles Settlement on Tuesday, March 20, after an illness of three months. She was the daughter of the late Augustus and Hannah Hammond of Hammond Plantation, and came with her parents from her birthplace, Lincoln Me., in the spring of '61, being a member of the family to locate to locate in what was then Letter B Range 2. Here during her young womanhood, in company with her parents, an elder sister and two brothers, she endured the hardships of early pioneer life with a cheerfulness born of her hopeful disposition till she married, something over thirty years ago. She was fifty-nine years, nine months and twenty-one days old, and is survived by a husband, two daughters and three sons, who have the heartfelt sympathy of their many friends and neighbors. One brother, Frank A. Hammond, and a sister, Mrs. Geo. A. Haynes of Haverhill, Mass., are still among the living. The pangs of disease were born with patient fortitude, till at last, like a tired child she fell asleep, surrounded by husband and children who had been unremitting in their care and devotion. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. A. Ford of the First Baptist church of this town, who preached a very touching sermon, while the singing was furnished by a choir from Houlton.

### F. A. Gellerson for County Treasurer.

F. A. Gellerson, the present County Treasurer has a letter addressed to the Republican voters of this county in another column of this paper. At the present time there is no other candidate in sight and this is as it should be. The office of County Treasurer in this county with its varied interests is an important office, and the details can be looked after very much easier and with better results to the county by a man who has had experience in the office than by an amateur. Mr. Gellerson has made a good County Treasurer, and his experience in the office will fit him for even better service for the County in the future. The Times gives him its hearty endorsement.

### Card of Thanks.

We hereby wish to extend our thanks to Rev. J. A. Ford and singers for the fulfillment of their duties in so satisfactory a manner, and to our many kind friends and neighbors who so kindly and generously assisted us in the death of our loving wife and mother.

M. C. Niles and Family.

### Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank the many kind friends of my father, Dr. F. F. Innis, for their many kindnesses during his last days. Especial thanks are due to the members of the Elks Lodge, and Monument Lodge F. and A. M. No. 20.

WILDER INNIS.

## Oakfield.

After one of the liveliest and most hotly contested elections ever held in the Town of Oakfield C. S. Lougee and his whole party went down in defeat. Opposed to Mr. Lougee and his stalwarts were the heaviest tax payers of the town, headed by N. C. Martin the prosperous young merchant at Oakfield Station. N. C. Martin was elected by a majority of 21 votes over his opponent C. S. Lougee, receiving 101 votes, the largest vote ever cast in town for first Selectman. We think that the people made a wise choice in their selection of town officials, who will administer their offices impartially, and we hope that the party business will be a thing of the past here in Oakfield, as the elections have been very disgraceful affairs for the past years. Formerly the town meetings have been called in a small school house located five miles from Oakfield Station, but the Selectmen succeeded in calling the meeting this year in Martin's Hall at Oakfield Station, where there is lots of room and modern law does not rule. The following officers were elected. H. H. Drew, Moderator, S. L. Drew, Town Clerk, N. C. Martin, J. E. Parker, Geo. W. Grant, Selectmen, John Timoney, Treasurer, Wm. Lawlor Tax Collector, James Boutiller, Road Com, Geo. Fisher, S. S. Committee. Appropriations were as follows: Schools \$688. Repair Roads and Bridges \$800. Current expenses \$700. Services Road Com. \$150. Support of poor \$50. School text books \$200. Repair school houses \$200, state roads \$400, cemeteries \$25.

### To the Voters of Aroostook Co.

At the next Republican County Convention I shall be a candidate for re-nomination to the office of County Treasurer. I am now serving on my second term. My predecessor held the office four terms, and his predecessor three or more terms, so I am not deviating from former practices in asking for the third term. At present I do not know of any other candidate for the office. I have the endorsement of the leading Republicans of my own town, and should be glad of your support in your town.

FRANK A. GELLERSON

## Notice.

All persons are hereby notified not to harbor or trust my wife, Mary Ellen McKissick on my account, as she has left my home without provocation and I shall pay no bills contracted by her.

Cary, Me., March 29, 1906.  
JAMES MCKISSICK.

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160 acres located 1 1-4 miles from railroad and 2 2-2 miles from Houlton. One of the best farms in Aroostook and nearly all under cultivation, good orchard and comfortable buildings. Easy terms, inquire of William P. Kinney, R. F. D. No. 5 Box 50, Houlton, Me.

Aroostook Times, one year \$1.00.



The following notice of the death of Frank H. Pierce, will prove of interest to many of the old time boys and girls who used to attend Houlton Academy. Mr. Pierce was a brother of Clarence H. Pierce and Mrs. Chas. P. Tinney. His education was completed at the Academy, and helped him to set out the two rows of elms, now grown to stately trees, in front of the Institute. Although wounded severely at Antietam he returned to the ranks after his discharge from the hospital and served until the close of the war.

#### Frank H. Pierce Passes Away.

Mr. Frank H. Pierce, Postmaster of Lenoir, died at 7:02 Sunday March 26th. While his death had been expected for two or three days, it yet came as a shock to the entire community. It can truthfully be said of him that "His life was gentle and the elements so mixed in him, That all the world might stand up and say, 'This was a man.'"

Uncle Frank, as he was universally known, was beloved by all who knew him. His nature was genial and kindly. The poverty stricken and distressed never appealed to him in vain. If he had an enemy in the world The Times never heard of it. Every man who values virtue and honesty and honor and high-souled chivalry found a friend, a mentor and an exemplar in Uncle Frank Pierce.

He was born at Houlton, Maine, July 4, 1840. He came from an old New England family, an ancestor having been one of the first settlers in the Massachusetts colony. His ancestral home was the oldest house in Massachusetts and his family name is one of the most distinguished in New England history.

When the country was called to arms in 1861 he answered the first call coming at Buffalo. His regiment was landed at Washington for the defense of the National capital and from that city was marched to the field of Manassas. He participated in this battle and in the successive battles of the army of the Potomac until the bloody conflict of Antietam, where he was wounded seven times.

He later came to Matamoros, Mex., where he was clerk of the American consulate for some time. He then engaged in the stationary and printing business, establishing business houses in Brownsville and Galveston.

He later held the position of assistant postmaster at Brownsville and was then elected county surveyor of Cameron county, being selected for a number of terms.

He came to Lenoir in 1885 as deputy customs collector and under the first Republican administration was appointed postmaster. At the close of his term under Harrison he went out of office and was reappointed when McKinley was elected. He has held the Lenoir postmaster's office ever since.

He was a member of the local G. A. R. Post and the funeral is being conducted this afternoon under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic from the residence of his nephew, C. C. Pierce, Esq., where for many years he has made his home.

Mr. Pierce was never married but upon his immediate relatives he lavished the affection of a father. In the family where he made his home he found a love and reverence that was his due as the ever present friend, counsellor and guide. To his stricken relatives The Times extends its condolence in this hour of distress.

[Lenoir Daily Times.]

The conservative law-loving and law-abiding voters of Maine will honor Governor Cobb for standing for the enforcement of law. If a law is a bad one enforcement is the quickest way to bring about its repeal; if a good one all people who have at heart the best interests of the community will desire its enforcement. The people of Maine will never think less of any official because he is true to his oath of office, and has the courage to do his duty fearlessly and faithfully as he sees it. For many years the sentiment of Maine, repeatedly and emphatically expressed, has been opposed to the saloon, and the slimy trail it leaves behind it. The Republican party has stood firmly for sobriety, for thrift, for good citizenship, and for the home. Men may differ among themselves touching the best methods of enforcing the prohibitory laws, but we believe that the great mass of our voters are as much opposed as they ever were to their nullification, and that the people of Maine will sustain Governor Cobb in the firm stand he has taken on this question.

—Kennebec Journal.

#### STATE OF MAINE.

To the Honorable, the Judge of the Probate Court, in and for the County of Aroostook: Respectfully Represents Delina Theriault, Grand Isle, Guardian of Annie Theriault, Thelma Theriault, Marie Theriault, Anna Theriault and Charles Theriault, that said minors are the owners of certain Real Estate, situated in Grand Isle in said County, and described as follows: viz: A part of lot of land numbered Two (Twenty) and Twenty-Eight (28) in Township number eighteen (18) Range three in said County of Aroostook W. E. L. S. bounded as follows: Beginning at a point on the South Westerly side of the highway road leading from Van Buren to Madawaska, running across said lot at the center of a little brook running to the ditch of said South Westerly side of said road, thence in a North Westerly direction following the said highway for a distance of Nine (9) rods, thence in a South Westerly direction parallel with the said brook for a distance of Five and one half (5 1/2) rods thence in a South Easterly direction and parallel with said highway for a distance of Nine (9) rods to the said brook; thence North Easterly and following the center of said brook to the said highway or place of beginning. That there is not sufficient personal estate to maintain and educate said minor children, that it would be for the benefit of said minors that said Real Estate should be sold for said purposes.

Wherefore your petitioner prays that she may be licensed to sell and convey said Real Estate at private sale for the purposes aforesaid.

Dated this 14 day of March A. D. 1906.

DELINA THERIAULT.

STATE OF MAINE.

ARROOSTOOK, ss. Court of Probate, March Term, A. D. 1906.

Upon the foregoing petition, Ordered, That said petitioner give notice to all persons interested by causing a copy of the petition and this order thereon, to be published three weeks successively in the Aroostook Times a newspaper published in Houlton, in said County, that they may appear at a Court of Probate for said County, to be held at Probate Office in Houlton, in said County, on the Third Tuesday of April next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, Judge.

Attest: SETH S. THORNTON, Register.

A true copy of petition and order of Court thereon.

Attest: SETH S. THORNTON, Register.

To the Honorable Board of

Selectmen of the Town of

Houlton.

I, the undersigned, respectfully request permission to erect a one story office building sixteen by thirty feet with a high square front on the lot on the south side of Military or Bangor Street, so-called, immediately east and about ten feet from Monahan blacksmith shop, so-called, and about eight feet from the nearest building on the east; said office building to be covered with fire-proof steel, brick imitation sides and roof.

Dated at Houlton, Me. March 24th, 1906.

ALBERT CHAMBERLAIN.

On the foregoing petition of Albert Chamberlain, ordered, that a hearing on same will be had at the Selectmen's office in Houlton, on Monday the 10th day of April, A. D. 1906, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, that a copy of said petition and this order of notice be published three weeks in succession prior to said hearing, in the Aroostook Times, that all interested parties may then appear and be heard.

Houlton, Me., March 24th 1906.

FRANK A. PRABODY, Selectmen

HJALMAR EDELLAD, of

HARRY R. BURLINGH, of Houlton.

The Continental Insurance

Company of New York.

ASSETS, DEC. 31, 1905.

Real Estate, \$ 1,150 000 00

Mortgage Loans, 16 350 00

Stocks and Bonds, 18 069 485 00

Cash in Office and Bank, 1,118 043 52

Agents' Balances, 911 324 15

Due Receivables, 9 869 65

Interest and Rents, 93 718 54

All other Assets, 0 00

Gross Assets, \$16 388 770 87

Deduct items not admitted, 14 269 04

Admitted Assets, \$16 384 501 83

LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 328 209 17

Unearned Premiums, 6 157 738 25

All other Liabilities, 474 329 30

Cash Capital, 1 000 000 00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 8 424 225 13

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$16 384 501 83

WM. C. DONNELL, Agent, Houlton, Maine.

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United States Customs Service, Port of Boston, Mass., March 26, 1906. In conformity with the provisions of Section 3077 of Revised Statutes of the United States, notice is hereby given that 291 bottles, 3 kegs and 1 jug liquors which have been seized for violation of the revenue laws in the district of Aroostook, Maine, at various places and times to January 12, 1906, will be sold by public auction at the Appraiser's Store, 183 State Street, Boston, Mass., Tuesday, April 24, 1906, at 10 o'clock a. m. Catalogues may be obtained at the Auditors Office, Custom House, Boston, Mass., on and after April 18, 1906.

GEO. H. LYMAN, Collector.

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Spring Schedule

FOUR TRIPS A WEEK.

Steamers leave Winterport at 11 a. m., Bucksport at 1:30 p. m. Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays for Bangor, Belfast, Camden, Rockland and Boston.

Free transfer of westbound baggage at Bucksport from train to steamer.

RETURNING

From Boston Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 5 p. m.

From Rockland, touching at way landings, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 5:30 a. m.

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H. T. SANBORN, Agent, Bangor, Me.

CALVIN AUSTIN, V. P. & Gen'l Mgrs., Bangor, Me.

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makes kidneys and bladder right.

#### PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Es

tates hereinafter named.

At a Probate Court held at Houlton, in and for the County of Aroostook, on the third Tuesday of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred six. The following matters having been presented for the action thereon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered, That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively before the third Tuesday of April, A. D. 1906, in the Aroostook Times a newspaper published at Houlton, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at the Probate Office in Houlton, on said third Tuesday of April, A. D. 1906, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon by the Court.

William H. Lawler late of Benedicta, deceased. Will and petition for probate thereof and that letters testamentary issue to Henry A. Farmer, presented by Henry A. Farmer the Executor therein named.

Theodore H. McBride late of Easton, deceased. Will and petition for probate thereof and that letters testamentary issue to Lizzie H. McBride, presented by Lizzie H. McBride the Executrix therein named.

Luther C. Shields late of Houlton, deceased. Petition for an allowance out of the personal estate presented by Alfretha A. Shields, widow of deceased.

Annie Seales late of Presque Isle, deceased. Petition for Distribution presented by Walter M. Seely, Administrator.

John Braden late of Houlton, deceased. First and Final Account presented for allowance by Michael N. Clark, Administrator.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, Judge of said Court.

Attest: SETH S. THORNTON, Register.

A true copy

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STATE OF MAINE.

To the Honorable, the Judge of the Probate Court in and for the County of Aroostook:

RESPECTFULLY REPRESENTS AMOS H. ADAMS of Mattawamkeag in the County of Penobscot that Sadie E. Getchell late of Lamoine in the County of Aroostook, deceased in her lifetime, to wit, on the twenty eighth day of January, 1902, made a legal contract with the said Amos H. Adams, a copy of which is hereto annexed, whereby the said deceased agreed with the said Amos H. Adams to convey to him his heirs and assigns, upon the terms set forth in said contract, certain real estate described as follows: A certain lot or parcel of land situate in Mattawamkeag and being all that portion of the east half of lot numbered one hundred and two (102) lying south of the road leading from the Aroostook road to the Grey Settlement (so-called) being the same described in the deed of Moses T. Tozier to Charles E. Tozier dated May 28, 1894, that said deceased was prevented by death from making such conveyance, and that he, the said Amos H. Adams has performed and done all that is in said contract required of him. That your petitioner has done all required of him by said contract, Wherefore he prays that Alvin D. Getchell, Administrator of said deceased, may be authorized to execute deeds to carry said contract into effect.

Dated at Mattawamkeag this 17th day of March, 1906.

AMOS H. ADAMS.

STATE OF MAINE.

ARROOSTOOK, ss. Court of Probate, March Term, A. D. 1906.

Upon the foregoing petition, Ordered, That said petitioner give notice to all persons interested by causing a copy of the petition and this order thereon, to be published three weeks successively in the Aroostook Times a newspaper published in Houlton, in said County, that they may appear at a Court of Probate for said County to be held at the Probate Office in Houlton, in said County, on the third Tuesday of April, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, Judge.

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STATE OF MAINE.

To the Honorable, the Judge of the Probate Court in and for the County of Aroostook:

RESPECTFULLY REPRESENTS Medston H. Perrigo of Hodgdon, in said County, that John B. Smith who last dwelt in Hodgdon in said County, died on the 18th day of July, A. D. 1905, intestate; that he left estate to be administered, to wit:—personal estate to the amount of at least twenty dollars; that petitioner is interested in said estate as daughter; that said deceased left a widow, whose name is Alice M. Smith, and as his only heirs-at-law and next of kin, the persons whose names, residences, and relationship to the deceased are as follows: name, Medston H. Perrigo; residence, Hodgdon; relationship, daughter.

Wherefore, your petitioner prays that Medston H. Perrigo of Hodgdon in the County of Aroostook or some other suitable person be appointed administrator of the estate of said deceased and of the estate that the statements herein contained are true to the best of her knowledge and belief.

Dated this 23rd day of March A. D. 1906.

MEIDSTON H. PERRIGO.

Subscribed this 23rd day of March A. D. 1906. Before me, Don A. H. Powers, Justice of the Peace.

STATE OF MAINE.

ARROOSTOOK, ss. Court of Probate, In Vacation, March 29, A. D. 1906.

On the foregoing petition, Ordered, That notice be given to all parties interested by causing a copy of said petition and this order of Court thereon, to be published three weeks successively in the Aroostook Times, a newspaper published in Houlton in said County, for three successive weeks prior to April 17th, 1906, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at the Probate Office in said Houlton on the Third Tuesday of April 1906 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, Judge of said Court.

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### CHAPTER IX.

MEANWHILE, during Raymond's days on the ranch, while the cattle were withering away on the plains and the long trail from the south was filling with grass, a most notable settlement had been forming like some new kind of parasitic growth on the westward shoulder of old Mogalyon, the mighty peak to the west.

In the midst of the mountains, in the lap of two smooth, grassy domes, old Philip Le Beau established a cow camp in the early seventies and called it Belle Marie, after his wife. This, however, proved to be too fanciful for his cowboy neighbors, who promptly called it "Le Beau's Hole," and in the end it was known among cattlemen as Belle Creek.

Just west of Le Beau's camp, and centered to the valley of the Loup, stood a symmetrical peak which some missionaries to the red people had called Mount Horeb. About the year 1870 some persons not missionaries planted gold in the soil in convenient places at the base of this hill and raised a mighty shout over the discovery of a new El Dorado. A rush took place, and to the outside world the region became known as "The Mount Horeb mining district," and was alluded to with deep seated resentment, with curses.

But there were miners whom neither the dogmatic opinions of geologists nor the tricks of schemers could turn aside from a faith that somewhere on the mighty slopes of Mogalyon lay veins of gold, and these continued to chip and to dig and to hammer.

Valley Springs was becoming known as a pleasant health resort, and the waters of its springs were being bottled and shipped to the eastern cities. Each year a larger number of stricken ones came to find respite, if not recovery, in the gleaming, bright sunlight and pure air. For years it remained a village and its business men merely shopkeepers and transient ranch owners, but as the fame spread families of wealth and social position in the east began to set the stage at the bank of the Bear and to build homes into which the sunlight streamed with healing magic, and the men of these families began to look about for business and for investment, and not a few of them were in the mood to listen when rough bearded men began to plod down the trail from Belle Creek bringing sacks of promise-bearing ore.

From these samples, sent away to be assayed, started a slight golden gleam east and west. Again the adventurous youth, the skilled prospector, the gambler and all the uneasy and shifting elements that follow such luck came into the valley and toiled over the trail to the grassy hills of Belle.

At first, though short of breath by reason of the altitude, two full miles above the sea, some of these incomers laughed and some were angry. "Gold! In these grassy hills? Impossible!" And they went away again with bitter words. It was Mount Horeb repeated on a huge scale.

But the assayers, the men of learning, persisted and in their little mortars crushed the ore and in tiny portable furnaces smelted for many a sturdy miner minute buttons of shining metal. The gold was there, and at last even the most skeptical believed.

Then the inflow began in earnest. The trail was beaten smooth by swarming feet. It became a stage road. A great railroad sent surveyors tapping up each of the deep and winding canyons in the attempt to reach the mighty camp whose fame was beginning to shine throughout the world. The beautiful grassy hills were blotched with eruptions of red earth. Paths appeared leading from burrow to burrow like runways in a town of prairie dogs.

The main street of Belle was 10,000 feet above the sea, but at last, on the top of Pine mountain, a vein of ore running \$2,000 to the ton was discovered, and another town arose—full 11,000 feet above sea level—the highest town in all America, and this became at once celebrated above all others and was called Skytown.

In the end Skytown dominated the whole camp and gave name to it. Belle, Grass Mountain, Pin Gulch, Hoffman, all were subordinate in fame as they were topographically, and the press alluded to the region as the Skytown mining district.

In those days the barroom of the Mountain House in Belle was the central stock exchange of the whole camp. It swarmed of an evening with business men from Denver, Kansas City, Chicago, Salt Lake City, San Francisco and New York. Every great newspaper had its representative there, alert and indefatigable, seeking the latest word of strikes and sales.

At the time when Raymond entered it Skytown was the busiest, most vital and in some ways the most picturesque mining district in the world. It was at its height as a poor man's camp. New territory was being opened up each day. Each evening brought stories of strikes—scores of them.

The streets of Belle were graceless and grassless, but Valley Springs was a bower of trees and growing vines. The houses of the peak were tents, slab

shacks and cabins of aspen poles, and remained so, while splendid stone palaces had already appeared in the valley, and every comfort and nearly every luxury of the east was obtainable, almost common.

Skytown was the cupola of Sky camp. It surveyed the whole field, dominated only by the glittering crest of Mogalyon, which rose nearly 4,000 feet higher into the thin and fleckless air. Bozle and Hoffman and Indian Creek and Eureka and a half dozen other villages lay below.

This was the town, the camp, toward which Raymond had been gazing in longing and irresolution for two years and to which he directed his steps as soon as he was able to walk with something of his old time vigor.

For a week he did nothing but stroll slowly up and down the streets of Belle, studying his surroundings, listening to all that was said and asking searching questions of every man who seemed to know anything of mining matters. The altitude at first troubled him greatly, but he ate well and slept well, and day by day his strength and native resolution expanded within him, and he began to definitely seek a place whereon to try his hands at labor.

One night as he sat toasting his shins before the big fire in the hotel he became immensely interested in the grand physical proportions and easy, unstudied grace of a middle aged miner who stood with his back to the fire replying to the rapid questions of a young reporter whose head was bent absently above his notebook and pencil. The prospector satisfied every requisite of a mountaineer. His massive head, covered with grizzled hair; his handsome, weather beaten, smiling face; his worn laced boots, spattered with mud; his rusty brown jacket and his broad hat, worn with careless yet unflinching grace, made him easily the most picturesque figure in the room, and when some one clapped him on the back and called out, "Hello, Kelly!" Raymond realized, with a pleasant warming of the heart, that he was looking upon Rocky Mountain Kelly, who knew the ranges of the west as intimately as the lines on the palm of his hand.

Seeking opportunity, he touched the big man on the shoulder. "Are you Matthew Kelly?" Kelly turned his keen gray eyes on his questioner. "I am, sir. What can I do for ye?" "I've heard you're a good natured man," began Raymond. Kelly slid his hand into his pocket. "How much is it?" Raymond laughed. "Do I look like that?" "You look like a sick man," replied Kelly, scrutinizing him. "And a hungry man."

"I'm neither," Raymond smilingly replied. "I've just eaten the supper they serve here, and I'm fairly comfortable, but I want to ask your advice about a business matter. If you had a little money and wanted to break into mining, what would you do?"

"Take out a lease," answered Kelly promptly. "Do you know of a promising property to lease?"

"I do."

"Will you show it to me?"

"I will."

Raymond was amused by the crisp succinctness of these replies. It was plain that the prospector was sizing him up, and favorably.

Kelly indicated a chair. "Sit down, man; ye look like a citizen with a lung faded. Where are ye from?"

"I'm a rancher from the plains."

"And ye want to mine?"

"Yes."

"It's ninety-nine chances to one ye lose y'r wad."

"I know it."

"Have ye a wife?"

"I have not."

"Any one dependin' on ye?"

"No one."

Kelly relaxed, and his eyes began to gleam friendly. "Very well, then, I consent to rob ye. I'm the owner of one mine into which I've put me last dollar, but I know a dandy proposition which I'd like to display. I'll take ye with me over the hills when ye're a little better acquainted with me, and when ye've seen the mine we'll talk the terms of partnership. The bankers all know me, and the fero dealers likewise, the more shame to me." A smile of singular charm curved his handsome lips. "But never mind that. Matt Kelly never tuck advantage of any man, and that, I think, ye'll find me neighbors agreed upon. I'll not say I like the looks of ye—that would sound like blarney—the truth bein' I'm seekin' a partner, but in a day or two I'll lay me schem' before ye."

Putting aside business, they talked of their personal affairs. Raymond guardedly, Kelly with entire freedom and some humor. Kelly was married and had two little boys, for whom he was now living. "Since Nora came," he said, with tenderness, "I drink no more, but gambling is in me blood. I play no more with cards or dice, but with lodes and shafts. I'm always taking on new chances. I load myself up with 'good things' till me back is broke and me hands fall empty."

There was something winning in the humorous glance of his big, gray eyes,



Raymond's blood leaped with the joy of it, and Raymond sat with him long. His vast experience, his indomitable good nature, his physical pride, all appealed to the rancher with such power that he left him with a distinct exaltation. "Here is the man to help me make my fortune, and I can be guide to him," he added, and he went to sleep that night with greater confidence in his future than at any time since taking Barnett's ranch. He set his teeth hard in the determination to win, and though he had put Ann quite out of his plans for the future, she remained an inspiration and a lure.

His feeling of confidence in Kelly was deepened by his ride with him next day. Turning from the gulch road, Kelly led the way up the side of Pine mountain, along a trail which braided itself upon a grassy slope like a purple brown ribbon. The air was keen, the sky a fleckless blue hemisphere. Raymond's blood leaped with the joy of it and with a sense that his feet were set at last on the road to fortune.

All about him the miners were climbing, each his special way, swinging a tin bucket which sparkled like glass in the morning sun. Great wains loaded with ore rolled creaking on their downward course, while others of their kind, piled high with lumber and machinery, crawled slowly up the curving roads. On every side men were tunneling into the hillsides, trenching in gullies and toiling at windlasses whose joints cried out resoundingly as the heavy ore boxes rose. The whole scene set forth buoyant activity and hope. Each man had either struck ore or hoped to do so at any moment.

Here and there on the slope a tall and shapeless shaft house rose, with heaps of orange and blue gray refuse rock close beside it. The whole camp was as yet disorganized, formless and debatable. Not one in a hundred of the miners was a paying prospector; all the others were mere prospects.

As they left Belle and turned to climb Pine mountain the dwellings thickened. They were nearly all built of the smooth, straight trunks of the aspen, but nearer the summit were of fir, and a few of them stood in picturesque nooks amid the rocks. Toward one of these, more homelike than the others, Kelly directed his horse, and as he neared the door a couple of lusty, yellow haired boys of six or seven years of age came bounding out to meet him.

Mrs. Kelly was unexpectedly lady-like, small and very pretty, with a skin that no wind could tan, and her great, wistful, pathetic eyes appealed to Raymond with instant power. She greeted him cordially, and, while Kelly took the horses to the corral, he entered at her invitation. Her voice was as charming as her pale face and hair of burnished gold, and the young fellow looked upon her in surprise.

"You don't look very well, sir," Mrs. Kelly said to Raymond.

"I'm not very well, but I'm going to tear up the sod just the same. Your husband is to show me how."

"Matt can find gold easy enough, but he can't keep it."

"I've confessed as much, Nora, me girl, and if Raymond can help me on that score I'll put him in the way of makin' his pile. Can ye walk a few rods? If so, I'll show ye the mine and the chance."

"Certainly. I'm far from being a 'one lung' yet."

"The two men walked round the little grove of firs to the west and came upon some men busy with a very small upright engine hoisting ore from a shaft.

"Here," said Kelly, "is where we tap the river of life. This is my own mine, but the wan I advise ye to take is that just beyond. I have an offer for me own prospect, but I shall not take it. If ye are agreeable, we'll lease the Last Dollar together and work it to the limit, for I'm satisfied its vein is the same as me own, which will keep; but if I strike ore, Curran, who owns the Last Dollar, will jump his price to the moon. Our lay is to bond and lease his mine, move my machinery over to his shaft and work like mad to open up ore to buy in the property. Ye see, no one has touched pay ore in this quarter, and Curran is anxious to sell. He offers it at \$15,000. I believe we can open a vein that'll pay fer it in less than six months. Will ye go in with me?"

"I will."

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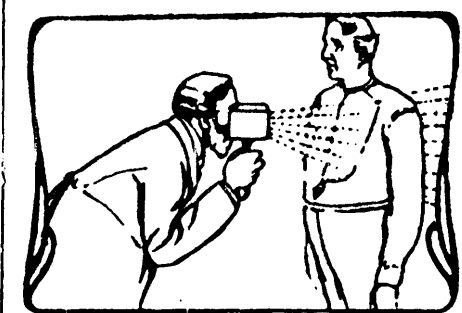
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Houlton, March 15, 1906.

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Names	Amount
Jack Bell	\$19.66
Oliver Brown	4.96
Adolf Cyr	11.72
Michael Depre	8.24
John Dunn	5.68
Joseph Fortier	6.17
Solomon Freeman, Jr.	7.68
Mony Gagnon	6.04
Richard Grant	4.79
William Hinch	8.81
Pete Martin	5.82
George Michael Jr.	7.68
John Mitchell	4.53
Pete Nadeau & als.	1.25
Inez Phair	6.02
Mrs. Florie Plourde	17.29
Percy Rowe	8.06
Moses Seamons	4.88
Moses Seamons	4.27
Philix Thibodeau	10.92
Moody Tompkins	6.55
Albert Wyman	12.00
Intoxicating Liquors	472.53
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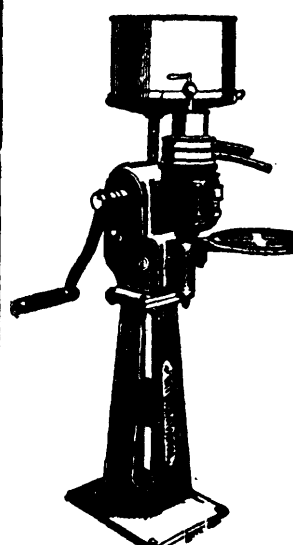
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All such persons are hereby notified to make and bring to said Assessors true and perfect lists of their polls and all their estates, real and personal, not by law exempt from taxation, which they were possessed of, or which they held as guardian, executor, administrator, trustee or otherwise, on the First day of April, 1906, and be prepared to make oath to the truth of the same.

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